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SUBJECT: CSCE: POSSIBLE DUTCH PROPOSALS TO EXTEND MPT

RECESS AND TO DELAY CSCE MINISTERIAL

REF: (A) USNATO 1496; (B) HELSINKI 769

HELSINKI FOR USDEL MPT

VIENNA FOR USDEL MBFR

1. WE CONCUR FULLY IN USDEL COMMENTS CONTAINED REF B.
WHILE NOT WISHING TO DICTATE TO OUR ALLIES ON THE LENGTH
OF THE NEXT MPT RECESS OR ON THE PRECISE MPT WORK PROGRAM,
WE BELIEVE IT IS IN THE INTEREST OF ALL THE ALLIES TO MAKE
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A SERIOUS EFFORT TO COMPLETE THE WORK OF MPT SO AS TO MAKE IT POSSIBLE FOR AN INITIAL CSCE MINISTERIAL TO BEGIN IN LATE JUNE. TO DO OTHERWISE COULD BE INTERPRETED (ESPECIALLY BY THE SOVIETS) AS DILATORINESS REFLECTING BAD FAITH, AND COULD HAVE ADVERSE CONSEQUENCES WITH RESPECT TO SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES RELATED TO CSCE. FURTHER, WE DO NOT CONSIDER IT PRODUCTIVE TO ATTEMPT TO BRING LEVERAGE TO BEAR ON THE SOVIETS IN THE EXPLORATORY TALKS ON MBFR BY GOING BACK ON THE PARALLELISM IN TIMING BETWEEN CSCE AND MBFR WORKED OUT LAST FALL.

2. THUS, IN FURTHER DISCUSSIONS WITH THE HOW US CARRIES OUT ITS PROGRAM.

US IN RATHER UNIQUE SITUATION WITH ITS OVERSEAS MISSIONS, INCREASING RELIANCE ON CONTRACTORS, ABSENCE OF " OPERATIONAL" PERSONNEL IN ITS PROGRAM, USE OF PROJECT MANAGERS, ETC.

US REPS SHOULD BE PREPARED TO EXPLAIN BASIC ELEMENTS OF AID APPROACH TO USE OF TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL SUCH AS THOSE MENTIONED ABOVE.

4. EXPECT MEETING TO LAST TWO FULL DAYS. US REPS SHOULD PLAN PARTICIPATE WITH MISSION IN BRIEF WRAP- UP AND EVALUATION SESSION MORNING APRIL 5.
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